SENATE FINANCE & CLAIMS

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Amendments	to House Bill No.	1 Date	1-20-11
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Requested by Senator Carol Williams

For the Senate Finance and Claims Committee

Prepared by Susan Byorth Fox January 20, 2011 (4:37pm)

- 1. Page 1, line 14. Strike: "\$2,903,732" Insert: "\$2,827,566"
- 2. Page 1, line 15.
 Strike: "4,687,281"
 Insert: "4,609,477"
- 3. Page 1, line 16. Strike: "640,237" Insert: "616,237"
- 4. Page 1, line 20.
 Strike: "\$192,104"
 Insert: "\$101,521"
- 5. Page 1, line 21. Insert: "334,666" Insert: "161,000"
- 6. Page 1, line 22.
 Strike: "16,500"
 Insert: "7,663"

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Explanation - This amendment represents a 5.14% reduction in the feed bill. (5% represents \$154,792 for the Senate and \$251,097 for the House.)

The Senate reduction is -5.39% representing:

- 1. A 5% reduction of estimated payments for retirement withholding and purchases from past legislators.
- 2. A 5% reduction in the total amount of attache salary and benefits budget.
- 3. Removal of a \$15,000 item for furniture and other expenses during the interim representing a 22.19% decrease for operations and equipment.
- 4. A 10% reduction in each of the majority (\$1,000) and minority (\$500) leadership funds.

- 5. A 9.99% reduction in caucus and start-up costs for the 2013 session.
- 6. A 4.99% reduction in orientation and training for the 2013 session.
- 7. A 47.15% reduction in the costs for the 63rd legislature, allowing only for per diem for the first two weeks of session for non-Helena legislators and funding of staff salaried for the first payday. It removes the funding for the legislator pay day of 1/23/2013 necessitating passage of a feed bill in order for legislators to be paid salary. (This is how it had been done before 2009 when we included costs for the first payday of the 2011 session.)

Explanation - The House reduction is -5.01% representing:

- 1. A 5% reduction of estimated payments for retirement withholding and purchases from past legislators.
- 2. A 5% reduction in the total amount of attache salary and benefits budget.
- 3. Removal of a \$15,000 item for furniture and other expenses during the interim representing a 19.89% decrease for operations and equipment.
- 4. A 10% reduction in each of the majority (\$1,000) and minority (\$500) leadership funds.
- 5. A 10% reduction in caucus and start-up costs for the 2013 session.
- 6. A 5% reduction in orientation and training for the 2013 session.
- 7. A 51.89% reduction in the costs for the 63rd legislature, allowing only for per diem for the first two weeks of session for non-Helena legislators and funding of staff salaried for the first payday. It removes the funding for the legislator pay day of 1/23/2013 necessitating passage of a feed bill in order for legislators to be paid salary. (This is how it had been done before 2009 when we included costs for the first payday of the 2011 session.)

There is also a 5% reduction from the Legislative Services Division line item, a reduction of \$24,000 of the legislator technology allowance, and a reduction of \$9,837 from the succeeding 63rd session costs.